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In re Application of
Sanchaita DATTA et al
Application No. 10/034,197
Filed: December 28, 2001
For: COMBINING CONNECTIONS FOR
PARALLEL ACCESS TO MULTIPLE
FRAME RELAY AND OTHER
PRIVATE NETWORKS

**DECISION ON PETITION FOR
ACCELERATED EXAMINATION
UNDER MPEP §708.02(VIII)**

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration of petition, filed April 25, 2003 under 37 C.F.R. §1.102(d) and M.P.E.P. §708.02(VIII): Accelerated Examination, to make the above-identified application special.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

M.P.E.P. §708.02, Section VIII which sets out the prerequisites for a grantable petition for Accelerated Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.102(d) states in relevant part:

A new application (one which has not received any examination by the examiner) may be granted special status provided that applicant (and this term includes applicant's attorney or agent) complies with each of the following items:

(a) Submits a petition to make special accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h);

(b) Presents all claims directed to a single invention, or if the Office determines that all the claims presented are not obviously directed to a single invention, **will make an election without traverse as a prerequisite to the grant of special status.**

(c) Submits a statement(s) that a pre - examination search was made, listing the field of search by class and subclass, publication, Chemical Abstracts, foreign patents, etc. A search made by a foreign patent office satisfies this requirement;

(d) Submits one copy each of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims if said references are not already of record; and

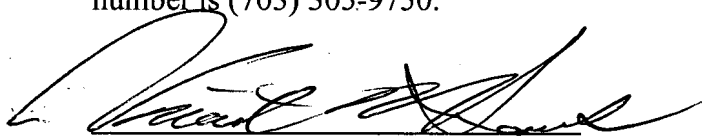
(e) Submits a detailed discussion of the references, which discussion points out, with the particularity required by 37 CFR 1.111(b) and (c), how the claimed subject matter is patentable over the references.

In those instances where the request for this special status does not meet all the prerequisites set forth above, ***applicant will be notified and the defects in the request will be stated.*** The application will remain in the status of a new application awaiting action in its regular turn. In those instances where a request is defective in one or more respects, applicant will be given one opportunity to perfect the request in a renewed petition to make special. If perfected, the request will then be granted. If not perfected in the first renewed petition, any additional renewed petitions to make special may or may not be considered at the discretion of the Group Special Program Examiner.

Applicant's submission meets all the criteria set out above. Accordingly, the Petition is **GRANTED.**

The application file is being forwarded to the Examiner of Record for accelerated examination according to the procedures set forth in M.P.E.P. §708.02, Section VIII.

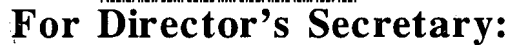
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☒ **Granted**

 **Denied**

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